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Inspection Report

Provider Name: North Star Academy	Provider Information	CLR No: L356798
Provider Address: 1816 Bryan Station Road, Lexington, KY, 40505	Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I	Capacity: 84
Owner(s): North Star Academy, LLC		Director(s): Jackson, Bonnie S.

Inspection Type: Renewal Application	Inspection Information	Inspection No: 293874
Date Initiated: 08/19/2020 8:30 AM	Date Concluded: 08/19/2020 10:15 AM	
	No. of Children Present: 17	

Inspection Report	
Background Checks	In Compliance
Supervision	In Compliance
Staffing Requirements	In Compliance
General Administration	In Compliance
Director Requirements	In Compliance
Employee Records	In Compliance
Programming	Not In Compliance
445 - Waiting Period	Not In Compliance
922 KAR 2:120. Section 2. Child Care Services. (8) A child shall not be required to stand or sit for a prolonged period of time: (a) During an activity; (b) While waiting for an activity to start; or (c) As discipline.	
Findings:	
General: Based on observation and interview, the surveyor entered the one-year-old classroom at 8:50 am, and observed five students placed into bucket seats around a table. The surveyor did not see the children involved in an activity. When asked, the staff person in this classroom indicated the children were just served a snack. The surveyor later entered the classroom at 9:20 am and observed that the children were still seated at the table. The staff person in the classroom was diapering a child, and had provided three farm animal toys to the four children still seated. It is unknown how long the children were placed in this area prior to surveyor entrance.	
Premises	Not In Compliance
580 - Floors, Walls, Ceilings	Not In Compliance
922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements. (9) Floors, walls, and ceilings shall be smooth, in good repair, and constructed to be easily cleaned.	
Findings:	
General: Based on observation, there was a vent in the two- to three-year-old classroom that had an accumulation of dust. Additionally, one bulb in the light fixture of this space was not functioning.	
Hygienic Practices	In Compliance
First Aid/Medication	In Compliance

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Outdoor Play Area

Not In Compliance

750 - Playground Conditions

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements.

(20) An outdoor play area shall be:

- (d) Safe from foreseeable hazard;**
- (e) Well drained;**
- (f) Well maintained;**
- (g) In good repair; and**
- (h) Visible to staff at all times.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation, there were weeds protruding from the mulch under a playground climber.

Equipment

Not In Compliance

815 - Toys/Furniture

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 11. Toys and Furnishings.

(1) All toys and furniture contacted by a child shall be:

- (a) Kept clean and in good repair; and**
- (b) Free of peeling, flaking, or chalking paint.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation,

- 1.) During a tour of the two- to three-year-old classroom, the surveyor observed a cabinet that was fastened with a child-proof lock. The top of the left side handle had become disconnected from the screw holding it into place. The screw was exposed and presented a safety risk.
- 2.) There were crayon marks drawn on the back of a shelf in the library section of the two- to three-year-old classroom.
- 3.) There was a plastic doll in the two- to three-year-old classroom that had several areas of what appeared to be food particles on it. Additionally, a plastic, clear tub in this space was cracked through the middle.
- 4.) A green pillow stored in the book-nook of the school-aged classroom had two large dark stains.

Transportation

In Compliance

Food Service/Food Program

In Compliance

Food Service

In Compliance

Children's Records

Not In Compliance

1135 - Immunization

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

(1) A child-care center shall maintain:

- (a) A current immunization certificate for each child in care within thirty (30) days of the child's enrollment, unless an attending physician or the child's parent objects to the immunization of the child pursuant to KRS 214.036;**

Findings:

General: Based on observation and review of documentation, one child did not have required proof of current immunizations on file.

1140 - Enrollment Information

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

(1) A child-care center shall maintain:

(b) A written record for each child:

- 1. Completed and signed by the child's parent;**
- 2. Retained on file on the first day the child attends the child-care center; and**
- 3. To contain:**
 - a. Identifying information about the child, which includes, at a minimum, the child's name, address, and date of birth;**
 - b. Contact information to enable a person in charge to contact the child's:**
 - (i) Parent at the parent's home or place of employment;**
 - (ii) Family physician; and**
 - (iii) Preferred hospital;**
 - c. The name of each person who is designated in writing to pick-up the child;**
 - d. The child's general health status and medical history including, if applicable:**
 - (i) Allergies;**
 - (ii) Restriction on the child's participation in activities with specific instructions from the child's parent or health professional; and**
 - (iii) Permission from the parent for third-party professional services in the child-care center;**
 - e. The name and phone number of each person to be contacted in an emergency involving or impacting the child;**
 - f. Authorization by the parent for the child-care center to seek emergency medical care for the child in the parent's absence;**

Findings:

General: Based on observation and review of documentation, the following was found:

- 1.) Four children did not have the required, preferred hospital listed in the file.
- 2.) One child did not have required proof of physician contact information in the file.

Written Documentation

Not In Compliance

1155 - Policies and Procedures

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 8. General.

(4) Program policies and procedures shall:

(a) Be in writing; and

(b) Include:

- 1. Staff policies;**
- 2. Job descriptions;**
- 3. An organization chart;**
- 4. Chain of command; and**
- 5. Other procedures necessary to ensure implementation of:**
 - a. KRS 199.898, Rights for children in child-care programs and their parents, custodians, or guardians - posting and distribution requirements;**
 - b. 922 KAR 2:120, Child-care center health and safety standards;**
 - c. 922 KAR 2:280, Background checks for child care staff members, reporting requirements, and appeals; and**
 - d. This administrative regulation.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation, a current copy of state regulations was not available for viewing.

Posted Documentation

In Compliance

Animals

In Compliance

Emergency Regulation

Not In Compliance

1250 - Emergency Regulation

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:400E. Emergency Regulation.

Due to the current declared public health emergency caused by the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), licensed child care centers must operate under Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and public health guidelines, as mandated by 922 KAR 2:400E, to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Findings:

General: Based on observation,

- 1.) The surveyor observed three children aged five and under, that had a facial mask on in the classroom. Per 922 KAR 2:400E, Section 7(4), "A child who is five (5) years of age or younger shall not wear a face mask due to increased risk of suffocation and strangulation.
- 2.) Staff with the hire date of 4/1/2016, did not have proof of reopening training on file or in TRIS, which is required per 922 KAR 2:400E, Section 8.
- 3.) The four- to five-year-old classroom and the two-year-old classroom had cloth dress-up items available for play. Dress up items should be removed from the classrooms to prevent cross-contamination of germs during the COVID-19 state of emergency.
- 4.) At approximately 8:47 am, the surveyor observed the staff person in charge and one school-aged child enter the two- to three-year-old classroom to wash the child's hands. The school-aged child was then taken to the school-age building to join her classmates. Classroom spaces should be limited to the child enrolled in the space to prevent cross contamination of germs during the COVID-19 state of emergency.

Signature of Provider/Representative

Title

Date